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AMCONSUL SAO PAULO

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TAGS: ENRG, BR

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE DIVERSION OF AMERICAN PRODUCED ECUDORAN
PETROLEUM TO CUBA

REF: SAO PAULO 2397

1. TRANSACTION REPORTED REFTTEL MAY BE RELATED TO ONE RECENTLY
DESCRIBED TO CONGEN OFFICER BY BRAZILIAN REPRESENTATIVE
OF US COMPANY SELLING CRUDE TO PETROBRAS WHO HAS GOOD CONTACTS
WITH PETROBRAS.

2. IN DISCUSSING WORLD PRICE SITUATION, HE MENTIONED IN
PASSING THAT HE'D HEARD BRAZIL HAD BID SOMETHING LIKE
\$4.22/BARREL F.O.B. FOR LOW-GRADE ECUADOREAN CRUDE, AND
HAD COME IN NINTH IN BIDDING. HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD RUSSIAN
INTERESTS (NOT SWISS AS MENTIONED IN REFTTEL) HAD WON
BID WITH A PRICE OF \$5.09/BARREL. HE SAID HE AND OTHER
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INDUSTRY PEOPLE INFERRED RUSSIA WAS BUYING THIS FOR CUBAN

ACCOUNT, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF LOW FREIGHT RATES ECUADOR/CUBA
TO HELP OFFSET HIGH BID PRICE. HE INDICATED HIGH FREIGHT
RATES TO ALMOST ANY OTHER DESTINATION WOULD PROBABLY HAVE MADE
IT IMPRACTICAL FOR SOVIETS TO PAY SUCH A HIGH PRICE.

3. INDUSTRY REP. EMPHASIZED HE HAD NO HARD INFORMATION
ABOUT DESTINATION OF CRUDE. SPECULATION AROSE ONLY BECAUSE
OF PRICE PAID. OFFICIAL ALSO DID NOT REFER TO CRUDE AS
BEING AMERICAN-PRODUCED.
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